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June 7, 2012

Jason Thackston Vice President, Energy Delivery Avista Utilities Corporation 1411 E. Mission, P.O. Box 3727 Spokane, WA 99220-3727

Dear Mr. Thackston:

Re: 2012 Operations and Maintenance Manual Inspection-Avista-HQ

Thank you for your letter dated May 25, 2012, addressing the findings of our inspection conducted at Avista Headquarters, in Spokane, WA from April 10 - 11, 2012.

Staff accepts Avista's proposals to bring these items into compliance.

Staff would like to thank Avista's personnel for their cooperation and assistance during this inspection.

If you have any questions or if we may be of any assistance, please contact Dennis Ritter at (360) 664-1159. Please refer to the subject matter described above in any future correspondence pertaining to this inspection.

Sincerely,

David D. Lykken

Pipeline Safety Director

cc. Mike Faulkenberry, Chief Gas Engineer, Avista Utilities